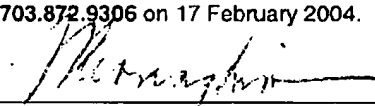


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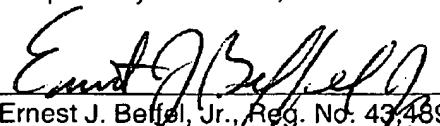
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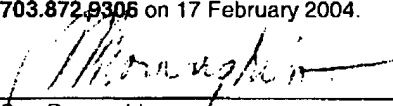
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In response to the Office Action mailed 14 January 2004, Applicant requests the following amendments in the above-referenced application:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 herein.

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